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London, April 2.—The war office has received the following despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 1:
"I received news late yesterday afternoon from Col. Broadwood, who was at Thaba Nchu, 38 miles east of here, that information had reached him that the enemy was approaching in two forces from the north and east. He stated that if the reports proved true he would retire towards the Waterworks, 17 miles nearer Bloemfontein, where we have a detachment of mounted infantry for the protection of the works.
"Broadwood was told in reply that the Ninth Division with Martiel's Mounted Infantry would march at daylight to-day to support him, and that if he considered it necessary he should retire from the Waterworks. He moved there during the night and bivouacked.
"At dawn to-day he was shelled by the enemy, who attacked on three sides. He immediately despatched two horse artillery batteries and his baggage towards Bloemfontein, covering some of them with his cavalry.
"Some two miles from the Waterworks the road crosses a deep nullah or spruit, in which during the night a force of Boers had concealed themselves. So well were they hidden that our leading scouts passed over the drift without discovering them, and it was not until the wagons and guns were entering the drift that the Boers showed themselves and opened fire.
"Many of the drivers of the artillery horses were immediately shot down at short range, and several of the guns were captured. The remainder galloped away, covered by Roberts' Horse, which suffered heavily.
"Meanwhile Lieut. Chester Masters, of Remington's Scouts, found a passage across the spruit unoccupied by the enemy, by which the remainder of Broadwood's force crossed. They reformed with great steadiness, notwithstanding all that had previously occurred.
"Broadwood's report, which has just reached me and which contains no details, stated that he had lost seven guns and all his baggage. He estimates all casualties at about 350, including 200 missing.
"On hearing this morning that Broadwood was hard pressed, I immediately ordered Gen. French with two remaining cavalry brigades to follow in support of the Ninth Division. The latter, after a magnificent march, arrived on the scene of action shortly after 2 p. m.
"Broadwood's force consisted of the Household Cavalry and the Tenth Hussars, 'Q' and 'U' batteries of the Royal Horse Artillery, and Picher's battalion of Mounted Infantry.
"The strength of the enemy is estimated at from 8,000 to 10,000, with guns, the number of which is not reported."

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Her Majesty Sets Out From London on Her Gracious Visit to Ireland.
Elaborate Precautions to Guard Venerable Monarch Against Any Accident.
Dublin Prepares a Royal Welcome—Futile Attempt at Hostile Parade.
London, April 3.—(2:10 a. m.)—Queen Victoria left Windsor at 9:30 last evening en route to Ireland. Her Majesty is accompanied by Princess Christian and Princess Henry of Battenberg, and is attended by the Countess of Antrim, Don Harriet Phipps, Sir Arthur Bigge, private secretary to the Queen, Sir Fleetwood Edward, keeper of Her Majesty's private purse, and Capt. Pousonby.
The Queen had driven out to Frogmore during the afternoon, amid considerable enthusiasm on the part of the townspeople, and her departure from the station was comparatively quiet, although quite a crowd had assembled to cheer the outgoing train.
Not in the history of the Great Western and London and Northwestern railways have greater precautions ever been observed to protect the royal train than those which had been perfected when Her Majesty started northward last night. Those officials who have superintended the transportation of Czars, Kaisers and the princes of all nations in and out of Windsor have exerted themselves beyond precedent to insure the safety of the royal train between Windsor and Holyhead. Royal trains seldom run at night, but the Queen, who is especially averse to fast travel, stipulated that the trip should occupy eleven hours, although it is usually covered in six. This slowness at a time when traffic is lightest was one of the reasons for deciding upon a night run.
Leaving Windsor the royal train was in the hands of the Great Western Co.'s officials to Bushbury, where the London & Northwestern Co.'s officials assumed responsibility at midnight, when the journey by way of Crewe and Chester to Holyhead began. The officials of the latter line will have little sleep to-night. Station masters, operators and track inspectors at every station along the route, no matter how small, were imperatively required to be on duty half an hour before the royal train was due, to examine personally signals and switches and to see that all was in proper working order.
Dublin, April 2.—All Dublin and in fact all Ireland were on the qui vive in anticipation of the Queen's coming. Crowds are pouring in from all points, and it is estimated that the normal population of Dublin, about 360,000, will by Wednesday have swollen to 1,000,000. Rooms are at a premium. From every town come throngs anxious to share in the gaiety that now promises to be unmarred. From Belfast alone 10,000 are expected.
By the exercise of the greatest possible tact government officials have practically destroyed sectional feeling and there is no longer any doubt that Her Majesty will be welcomed with an enthusiasm equal to, if not greater than that which was displayed during her recent visit to London.
The pilot engine, named "Prince of Wales," ran a quarter of an hour ahead of the royal train, and after its passage all lines were kept absolutely clear. The royal train was drawn by two locomotives with expert engineers, and a complete staff of railway experts and electrical experts accompanied the train for immediate action in case anything should go wrong.
Representative Nationalists here when questioned to-day by a correspondent of the Associated Press in regard to the placard calling upon citizens to join a procession of the Nationalist societies on the night of the Queen's arrival as a protest against its disowned all knowledge of this attempt at a counter-attraction and alleged that such a procession would amount to nothing. Apparently any such scheme will not be countenanced even by the so-called revolutionary party, but the police have received instructions not to give importance or notoriety to such an affair by an attempt to suppress it or otherwise to interfere.
The attitude of the prominent Nationalists whom the Associated Press correspondent has interviewed, is, that Earl Cadogan, the Lord Lieutenant, will be taken at his word and the royal visit will be made a national occasion, although it will be and must be non-political. Not by a hair's breadth has the Queen's coming diminished the intensity of the opposition of the Nationalists of all shades towards the government. It is said the Lord Mayor will be made either a Knight or a Baronet, and that the Sheriff and Aldermen Meet will probably be knighted.
To-day dense crowds surged through the streets in spite of the rain watching the preparations. Among the curious notices hung across the street is, "Will ye no come back again?"
A cartoon in Mr. John Redmond's evening paper, the Herald, also strikes a popular note. Paddy is represented as welcoming the Queen and saying: "Shure you're welcome, but don't let them boys at the Castle be tellin' ye any stories about me."
Mr. Gerald Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, has arrived, but he is too ill to participate in the ceremonies of the reception.
Earl Cadogan has a long list of distinguished visitors. With the Duke of Connaught and other prominent personages he will go to Kingstown to-morrow evening to witness the arrival of the royal yacht in Irish waters, and its reception by the Channel squadron, but the celebration will not really begin until the Queen puts her foot on Irish soil to-morrow night.

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Finance and Commerce

STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

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Amn. Cot. Oil	20 1/2
Amn. Tob.	100 1/2
Amn. Sugar	10 1/2
Amn. Cane	53 1/2
Amn. Cane	28 1/2
A. S. & W.	57
B. & O.	81 1/2
C. & O.	72 1/2
C. R. & T.	12 1/2
Chicago Gas	100 1/2
C. & N. W.	14 1/2
C. H. & P.	113 1/2
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Conf. Tob.	25 1/2
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C. C. & G. St. L.	65 1/2
D. & R. G. St. L.	13 1/2
G. E.	118 1/2
Jersey Central	118 1/2
L. & N.	87
Manhattan	90 1/2
Mo. Pac.	49 1/2
Met.	25 1/2
Nat. Lead	25 1/2
N. P. com.	61 1/2
N. P. pfd.	73 1/2
N. Y. C. & H.	137 1/2
N. Y. L. E. & W. pfd.	42 1/2
Omaha	118 1/2
Pac. Mail	38
Reading	10 1/2
Son. Ry.	15 1/2
Son. Pac.	47 1/2
Tenn. Coal & Iron	13 1/2
U. S. Leather	13 1/2
U. S. Rubber	90 1/2
U. S. P.	59
Wabash pfd.	22 1/2
Can. Cable in Montreal	17 1/2
C. R. R. in London	190

PRODUCE AT CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 2.—Wheat closed—April 67c, May 67 1/4c, July 68 1/4c, Sept. 68 1/4c, Corn—April 38c, May 38 1/2c, July 39 1/2c, Sept. 40 1/2c, Oats—May 24 1/2c, July 24 1/2c, Pork—May \$12.75.

Chicago, April 2.—The following quotations ruled on the board of trade:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat	68 1/2	68 1/2	68	68 1/2
May	67 1/4	67 1/4	67 1/4	67 1/4
Corn	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
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Port	12.60	12.60	12.60	12.75
Liverpool wheat	58 10d	58 10d	58 10d	58 10d

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Amn. Sugar	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
C. R. & T.	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Manhattan	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2
People's Gas	110	111 1/2	109	109
C. R. & T.	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Amn. Tobacco	107	107 1/2	107	107 1/2
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Money loaned at 3 1/2 per cent.

No session of the Chicago board to-morrow on account of election day.

ALKI'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Struck An Iceberg in Glacier Bay and Had to Be Beached for Repairs.

The steamer Alki, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's Alaska line, had a narrow escape from destruction on her last trip from the Sound to Alaska. While going through Glacier Bay, which is full of ice floes later in the season, but which early in the year is generally free from them, she struck a partially submerged iceberg. Her stem and bow were smashed, and it was found necessary to beach her for repairs. Had the Alki been an iron vessel, the accident would have been a very serious one. As it was it was sufficient to give the off-

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and men a scene that they will not soon forget. The steamer struck the iceberg full on and a gaping hole was torn in her bow, through which the water poured. As soon as she was freed from the iceberg the Alki was turned towards the beach and run at full steam, later she was working in water reaching to their arm pits. Fortunately the accident occurred near the Glacier Bay cannery, where a gang of ship-carpenters were at work. After they had effected the repairs the steamer went to Juneau and discharged her passengers.

MARINE GOSSIP.

Return of the Queen City From Northern British Columbia Ports.

Sailing schooner Aurora has resumed her hunting.

R. M. S. Empress of Japan is due from Oriental ports this morning.

Sealing schooner Ocean Rover resumed her interrupted cruise yesterday.

Whaler Jeannette left for the northern ice fields and Cape Nome yesterday.

Steamer Alpha will get away for Nome from Vancouver either to-morrow evening or the following morning.

Steamer Barbara Boscovitz is due from the North this morning, having on the present down trip made Skidegate one of her ports of call.

Steamer Tees arrived from the North early yesterday morning, after a pleasant trip. She will go North again on Saturday, calling at British Columbia ports.

Steamer Victorian is to land her inward passengers at the Brackman & Ker wharf at 5 this morning, sailing again from the inner wharf at 7:45, and from there to the outer wharf.

Barkentine Westler, which has been waiting for a crew and fully laden at the Chemainus mills for some days past, got her men on Saturday night and sailed for Melbourne yesterday.

Steamer Hujun-maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, to arrive on or about April 12, has 800 more Japanese immigrants aboard, some 600 of whom are to debark here. Her cargo includes 2,000 odd tons of miscellaneous Oriental merchandise.

Short was the run of the oilchans this spring on the Nias river, according to passengers by the Queen City, although the quantity of the little butterfly fish when the run was at its height was not as abundant as in previous years. The oilchans lasted but three days, however, and many lost their chance through not being quite ready. Preparations are now advancing rapidly for the salmon season. The Princess Royal cannery, on the inland coast, and Mr. Clayton's Bella Coala cannery will be ready to play their part in the season's operations. The steamer goes North again this evening.

PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE.

Monthly Meeting of the Ladies' Committee Held Yesterday Afternoon.

The usual monthly meeting of the ladies' committee of the B.C. Protestant Orphanage was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Miss Helen Haywood, in the chair and Mesdames Haywood, Hutcheson, Denny, Munroe, McNeil, Higgins, Going, Berridge, Milne and Miss Carr present.

After routine business and the passing of the monthly bill, a visitors for the month reported that all the children had been vaccinated by Drs. Milne and Fraser, and had done well. Two children had been admitted during the month, and there were now 59 children in the home, all well. Several applications for children for service and adoption were referred for consideration.

Mrs. C. Hayward and Mrs. A. S. Going were appointed visitors for April.

The matron thankfully reported received the following donations for March: "Bear" of King's Daughters, Medochin, 7 night gowns; A Friend, two tubs dripping; Mrs. J. K. Dickson, clothing; Miss C. J. Loat, books and papers; Mrs. Hackett, clothing; Mrs. Whitefield, Mrs. Jock, 1 sack apron and 1 pair of drawers; Mrs. Erb, 1 sack apron; Mrs. Baker, 4 dozen oranges; Mrs. Munroe, clothing; D. Spencer, hats; Mrs. Engelheart, clothing; Sans Souci Dancing Club, cakes; Mrs. Peters, clothing; Mrs. J. J. Jones, clothing; Mrs. Chas. Hayward, barrel apples; Cheside, half dozen knives and forks; Mrs. W. J. Smith, clothing; Mrs. Wm. Gill, clothing; A Friend, clothing; Mr. S. M. Robins, 4 tons coal; Mr. R. E. Knowles, milk daily; Times and Colonist Publishing Companies, daily papers.

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GLAZIER'S "D'ARTAGNAN."

It Misses the Fire of a Southern Disposition, But Is Well Studied and Most Conscientious.

To those who had seen Salvini, the younger, as D'Artagnan, firing Dumas' romantic hero with more than all the impetuous chivalry and dash of the age of the author's conception, last night's revival of "The Three Musketeers" was but a colorless ghost of the drama, pulse-quickeners of melodrama at its best, which Salvini, the lamented, gave the stage. To be sure, Mr. Glazier's version is somewhat truer to the original literary standard—to be sure it is handsomely staged and costumed and reveals a commendable devotion to telling its minute details. It is not, however, the identity remembered. "The Three Musketeers" of seven years' memory, when by the sheer intensity, magnetism or mastery genius of the star, one was carried away from the considerations of present time and present matter of fact into the hot quarrels and desperate intrigues of a less prosaic period of history. Mr. Glazier acts D'Artagnan very creditably; Salvini lived it with every breath of his fiery Italian existence. The little things of last night's play are, nevertheless, to be commended as closely approaching perfection. Mr. Glazier's pick-off of his fourth antagonist's blade in the duelling scene with the Cardinal's guard; his making of Bobby to leap from the bend of the steel to ground, and neat catching; the headlong fall of the Cardinal's guardsman down the stairs; in the seventh tableau—these were each small things in themselves, but they are

things as go far toward the creation of a worthy performance. Mr. Thomas B. Findlay's Portos, and Mr. Barrett's Cardinal were two other well-sustained items of last evening's entertainment; the majority of the cast unhappily looked and acted sadly ill at ease in even merest mimicry of palace life.

"There aren't many men as clever as our friend Outsider," said the first burlesque. "That's right," assented the other. "What's he got now, some new scheme?" "Yes, he has invented an attachment for his lawnmower, so that he can use it as a snowplough. It's great!" Philadelphia Press.

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A POLITICAL WRIGGLER.

Mr. Joseph Martin, in an interview which we print this morning, no longer pretends that the Crow's Nest Pass coal lands are not subject to a royalty, and admits that he did not know they were so subject, but endeavors to wriggle out of the hole into which he has got himself. With his characteristic style of dealing with public questions he says that he cannot understand why the Colonist defends "the nefarious transaction," namely, the grant to the British Columbia Southern. Here again Mr. Martin is wrong. The Colonist in so many words declined to defend the grant. On March 20, and in the same article in which we pointed out Mr. Martin's blunder about the royalty, we said:

"We have not the data necessary for the full discussion of this question, and must decline to express any opinion upon the validity of the grant just now. The case calls for fuller study than we have been able to give it, but we may admit for argument's sake that Mr. Martin was right in holding that the question should have been adjudicated on by the courts. It is no part of the business of the Colonist to defend the action of the Semlin government in this matter. When the question was first mooted in the house as to whether or not certain land grants to railways had been forfeited, the Colonist expressed the opinion that the point ought not to be evaded, but should be promptly met and settled. Mr. Martin can pummel Messrs. Semlin and Cotton to his heart's content for their action in this matter and we will not have a word to say in protest." Later in the same article we said: "We make no claim that this justifies the action of the Semlin government."

We defy Mr. Martin to spell any defence of the transaction out of this language, and do not propose to let him drag a red herring over the scent by creating such an impression. He must toe the mark and take his medicine. He had his fifteen minutes' fun at the expense of the Colonist, and we propose now to have our turn.

When Mr. Martin wrote his letter to the Colonist, printed on the 29th ultimo, he said: "I beg to point out, however, that you are in error in supposing that the law providing for a royalty applies to this land grant." Here we have a deliberate statement made after his attention had been called to his blunder. The blunder was bad enough in the first place. For so wonderful a genius to go upon the public platform and spend most of his time in elaborating a point in which there is absolutely nothing at all was bad enough. And the funny part of the business was that Mr. Martin had button-holed divers and sundry persons in various parts of the community, and treated them to the same dose. He would wind up by saying: "When I show this up, don't you suppose I'll get votes?" or words to that effect. It was a blunder carefully rehearsed, a blunder inexcusable in one of the pages in the legislature or a district messenger boy, a blunder which the Vancouver World declared "unanswerable." When he was met face to face with the statement that he was wrong, instead of going to his books, as we recommended him, to find out the truth, he proceeded to take us to task in a manner which simply delighted his friends. And now he has to take it all back, to admit that he was wrong, to cut out of his precious speech all the very pith of it and start off on an entirely new tack.

But there is something more remarkable yet to be told. In his letter to the Colonist Mr. Martin said:

"The lands which have been transferred to the British Columbia Southern Railway Company were not acquired by them under the provisions of said chapter 113 (Consolidated Statutes), but under the provisions of various subsidy acts passed from time to time in which there is no reservation of a royalty."

This was supposed by Mr. Martin to be sufficient to crush anyone. He has been going around the country killing "heaps upon heaps" of his opponents after the manner of Samson, and believed the Colonist would be duly crushed; but we declined to be crushed, and showed Mr. Martin that he was utterly and absolutely wrong. Now we propose to show that

not only was he wrong, but that he must have known he was wrong, that he not only was deliberately deceiving the public at his meetings, but attempted to back the Colonist down with the rawest kind of a bluff. Writing under date of March 20, 1899, to R. B. Haldane, Q.C., to get an opinion as to the legality of this subsidy, Mr. Martin said:

"You will notice that the land grant of 20,000 acres per mile given to the Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway Company by section 1 of said act WAS NOT GIVEN DIRECT TO THE COMPANY AS IS CUSTOMARY UNDER THE DOMINION STATUTES, BUT THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL WAS AUTHORIZED TO GRANT 20,000 PER MILE TO THIS COMPANY," ETC.

This statement is distinctly contradicted by Mr. Martin's letter to the Colonist. He began his case for the overthrow of the subsidy by stating specifically that the land was not given under the Subsidy Act, and then turned completely around and writes to the Colonist that it was given under that act. After this can anybody take Mr. Martin seriously? Did ever a man appear in a more ridiculous light? What becomes of this terrible fellow whose appetite demanded a political opponent for breakfast and a defeated ministry for dinner every day and who lunched off such small fry as newspapermen? He is stripped of his lion's skin and exposed for just exactly what he is.

A CHARGE REFUTED.

The following extract appeared in the News-Advertiser of Saturday. We reproduce it in full, so that no one may be able to say that we have in any way misstated our contemporary's claim:

"If anyone has any doubts as to the existence of a political partnership between Mr. Martin and Mr. Dunsmuir, they must be dispelled by the government's legal action in regard to under-sea coal deposits in Nanaimo harbor. The suit which Mr. Martin announces will be commenced to-day against the New Vancouver Coal Company does more than compare with the celebrated piece of furniture in Goldsmith's 'Deserted Village.' It has a five-fold utility. It makes a show of protecting the interests of the province. Secondly, it is hoped that it will cast a reflection on the late government. Thirdly, should it be possible on some legal technicality to embarrass temporarily—for there is no question that neither the legislature nor the people will permit permanently what would be nothing more or less than an act of spoliation and confiscation—the coal company and close the mines, it would throw hundreds of miners out of employment and enable Mr. Martin to wreak vengeance on the people of Nanaimo who not only condemned his action in opposing the Coal Mines Regulation bill, a measure designed to protect white miners against the dangers to which they are subjected by the employment of Chinese underground. Fourthly, by attacking the coal company the government relieves Mr. Dunsmuir of the expense of continuing the suit which he had begun to harass a competitor, and thereby gives him a quid pro quo for the substantial assistance which he is expected to afford for Mr. Martin's electoral campaign. Lastly, but by no means least, the suit in the shape it is to be brought will make it impossible to discuss the matter while it is sub judice, and so prevent Mr. Martin's opponents from showing up in the clearest and most convincing manner the false statements which he has so cunningly circulated through the press—without committing himself to them—in regard to this subject.

We desire in the first place to state in the most unqualified manner and upon the authority of Mr. James Dunsmuir that no political partnership nor any political agreement or arrangement of any kind whatever exists between him and Mr. Martin. We wish this denial to be taken as being as definite and positive as words can make it, and to add that there is no mental or other reservation in what has just been said. We shall now take up the News-Advertiser's article in detail. Five uses are stated by Mr. Cotton's paper as likely to be served by the suit against the New Vancouver Coal Company for the avoidance of the letters patent recently issued. The first is that it makes a show of protecting the rights of the province, and secondly that it will cast a reflection upon the late government. If the suit results favorably to the province, it will certainly protect a valuable public interest and will reflect very seriously indeed upon the late government. The third point is that the suit is an act of revenge upon the part of Mr. Martin. We do not feel called upon to make any observations upon this point. The fourth point is the only one with which we are concerned at present. We state this by itself.

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At the risk of being a little tedious, we shall explain the status of the litigation between the E. & N. Railway Company and the New Vancouver Coal Company and the nature of their respective claims. As the matter will necessarily be referred to frequently during the coming campaign, it is well that it should be understood correctly.

In the first place we will say that the institution of the suit against the New Vancouver Coal Company does not affect the railway company's suit in any way. That suit was instituted for the purpose of trying the title to a portion of the land which the late government

attempted to give to the coal company by the recent letters patent, and the prosecution of the suit was stopped by an injunction issued at the instance of the late provincial government, which intervened in the suit for the purpose of assisting the coal company. The government has since withdrawn from the suit and therefore the litigation will go on, for it is important to the railway company to have its claim to the land in dispute settled. The land in dispute in the suit is only a small portion of the tract described in the letters patent. It only embraces about 200 acres under the north part of Nanaimo harbor, while the letters patent were intended to convey to the coal company all the lands under the harbor, which amount to several thousand acres.

The claim of the railway company is derived from section 3 of chapter 6 of the acts of parliament passed in the session of 1884. It is not necessary to quote the language of the section, the meaning of which is that the railway company was given the title to certain land on the shore and the right to mine coal under the sea opposite to its land on the shore. If the Dominion government had the right to convey this land to the railway company, there is not the shadow of a doubt that the company have the right to mine under the sea over the 200-acre area. This is not disputed by anyone. The language of the act is definite and explicit. Everyone concedes that if the Dominion government had the power to grant to the railway company the right to mine under the sea, it did so by the act referred to.

The railway company does not claim by title from the province. On the contrary, if the province establishes its claim to the coal under Nanaimo harbor, the railway company's claim to take a portion of that coal must fall to the ground. Hence the suit against the coal company is hostile to the railway company and not at all in its interest, as the News-Advertiser endeavors to make it appear. We wish to make this point as clear as words can make it. The railway company derives no title from the provincial government, but what title it has comes from an act of parliament of Canada. If the parliament of Canada had the right to convey the land to the railway company, the province has nothing whatever to do with it; but if on the contrary, the province owns the coal under the sea at this point, then the act of the parliament of Canada conveyed nothing whatever under the sea to the railway company. That is, if Mr. Martin succeeds in his contention and establishes that the coal under the sea in Nanaimo harbor belongs to the province, the railway company will lose all its right to the 200 acres which it claims. Thus by no possible construction of the facts or the law can it be contended that the suit against the coal company is in the interest of the railway company or Mr. Dunsmuir.

The railway company's contention is that it owns the 200 acres in front of its unquestioned domain on the shore. The New Vancouver Coal Company went to work on this 200 acres some years ago. Two years ago it was decided in a suit by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council that the Dominion owns the land under the harbors, and immediately thereupon the railway company sought to prevent the coal company from trespassing upon land, which it was advised was undoubtedly conveyed to it by the act of parliament above referred to. The question involved in that suit is one of fact, namely: Is the land in question under Nanaimo harbor? If it is, it passed by the act of parliament to the railway company, unless something happened before the act was passed to vest it in some one else. If this land never belonged to the Dominion but belongs to the province, the railway company has no claim whatever to it.

The railway's contention has no reference to any part of the land described in the letters patent, except the 200 acres above referred to.

The News-Advertiser says that the suit of the railway company was instituted to harass a competitor. A statement of this kind ought never to be made in regard to a pending suit, for it is a distinct contempt of court to question in a newspaper the bona fides of any claim preferred in an action. We do not propose for that reason to follow our contemporary into a discussion of the motives of the railway company.

The Vancouver paper says that the reason for instituting the suit is to prevent discussion of the merits of the letters patent during the election campaign. We do not know what Mr. Martin's object may have been in this respect; but we most distinctly say that we propose to discuss the action of the late government in issuing the letters patent whenever we see fit, no matter how many suits may be pending. We do not propose to be deprived of our right to speak freely concerning a matter of grave public interest because some one, even the Attorney-General himself, chooses to institute a suit in which the subject is involved.

Concerning the whole article of our contemporary we wish to add that the animus displayed by it towards Mr. Dunsmuir is wholly contemptible and grossly scandalous. As a matter of fact the News-Advertiser has laid itself open to prosecution for libel for stating that an arrangement exists whereby Mr. Dunsmuir is to assist Mr. Martin in consideration of this suit being instituted. This amounts to a charge of conspiracy and is undoubtedly a matter for which an indictment may be preferred by any one who feels aggrieved by it.

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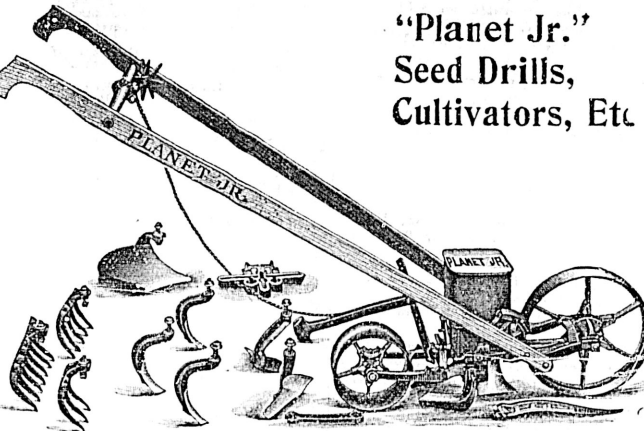
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IS RELIEF AT HAND?

To the Editor of the Colonist.

Sir,—I observe by a despatch from Ottawa that Mr. Bostock, M.P., has placed on the notice-board a number of questions directed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. These questions bear on the political crisis in this province and are of a very pointed character, referring particularly to the delay in forming the Martin government, the vote of censure of the legislature and the postponement of the elections till June. This despatch affords some comfort. I begin to hope that the dark clouds which for the past month have obscured our political horizon are about to be lifted and that the bright sun will soon again shed his rays upon this unfortunate province. I may be over- sanguine, my deductions may be incorrect and the premises on which I place my confidence may be untenable, but, nevertheless, I shall continue, until I have reason to think otherwise, to "hang the round delusion (if it be a delusion) to my soul," that the authorities at Ottawa are about to come to the rescue of the province and insist upon the present painful and illegal condition being brought speedily to an end. In previous letters I have expressed the belief that the Lieutenant-Governor, after due reflection, would call on Mr. Martin to either fill his ministry or get out. The action of His Honor was so out of keeping with all precedent, so indefensible and so tyrannical and subversive of the rights of the people that having been taken in defiance of the Constitution I really thought he would embrace the first opportunity to retrace his steps and call Mr. Martin off. I now discover that that belief was ill-founded. The action of His Honor is based on nothing to be hoped for from Mr. McInnes. He has no intention of taking back, however devious the route by which he reached his present condition may have been. When a speaker was told that his remarks were not in accordance with the facts, he retorted: "So much the worse for the facts." When it was pointed out to His Honor that he was acting in violation of the Constitution, he must have replied: "So much the worse for the Constitution." If he didn't say so, he acted as if he thought as much. Business and political conditions in this province were never as dismal. Every interest is paralyzed, and no man feels safe in investing, fearing hostile legislation of the present Premier. This fact is as well known to the Governor as to anyone else, but he shuts his eyes to it and continues to pursue his unconstitutional course. Mr. Bostock's action at Ottawa has shed a ray of hope on the situation. Mr. Bostock is a warm supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's policy, and it would almost seem that the questions were inspired to enable the government to take action and submit a statement of that action to parliament. Many persons believe that a lieutenant-governor cannot be displaced except by a vote of both Ottawa houses. This is a mistake. Section 59 of the British North America Act gives the Governor-General-in-Council full power. There is no room for doubt on that head. If Mr. Bostock's queries should show that the government at Ottawa is in possession of all the facts, I shall continue to hope that relief is at hand and that the Lieutenant-Governor will be instructed from Ottawa to order an immediate appeal to the people or

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Dated this 13th day of March, 1900.
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CHAS. FLEWIN,
JAMES LONGHURST,
Executors of W. H. Flewin, Deceased.
Witness:
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Time.	Height above zero	Time.	Height above zero
4:20 a.m.	9.6 feet.	5:00 a.m.	9.3 feet.
11:00 a.m.	2.3 feet.	12:10 a.m.	2.6 feet.
7:00 p.m.	7.8 feet.	8:15 p.m.	7.6 feet.
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Granted a Patent.—Thomas Hunt, of Vernon, B.C., has been granted a patent for a stovepipe.

Friendly Help.—The Friendly Help Society will hold their regular monthly meeting at city market at 11 a.m. to-day.

New Telephone Poles.—The local telephone company are placing in position a number of new telephone poles on Pandora avenue, the ones at present in use requiring removal owing to decay.

"Bridal Trap."—There will be rehearsal this week for full chorus on Wednesday and on Thursday for the stage work in Waitt's hall. The principals will meet as usual on Tuesday and Friday.

Inland Revenue.—The returns of the inland revenue office for Victoria division for March follows: Spirits, \$16,978.20; malt, \$2,154.25; manufactured tobacco, \$4,065.88; raw leaf tobacco, \$461.20; cigars, \$806.40; total, \$24,466.03.

The Police Court.—Before Magistrate Hall yesterday three indiscreet bicyclists for an infraction of the streets' by-law were fined \$3 each. Christopher Medwedick, the youth charged with stealing a piece of lead pipe from the Albion Iron Works, was remanded until to-morrow.

Chicken Thief at Work.—Mrs. Davis, of 63 Meers street, has complained to the police of the depredations of a chicken thief who is operating in her neighborhood. On three occasions recently her hen-roost has been robbed, the latest haul having been made on Sunday evening last.

A Correction.—It was an error to state that Miss Sullivan was local manager of the Dominion Trading Stamp Company. That position is occupied by Miss Murphy, who has successfully conducted the affairs of this branch of the company's business since the beginning of operations in Victoria.

Placer Claims at Auction.—Gold Commissioner B. C. Souder of the Yukon district, has just made public the information that on the 1st of June all government placers in the Klondike will be disposed of by public auction at Dawson—these being lapsed or otherwise reverted properties, and all fractional interests, etc., being included.

Laid at Rest.—The funeral occurred yesterday of Samuel Chester, the cortege proceeding from Hanna's undertaking parlors to St. John's church, where services were conducted by Rev. Percival Jenks, thence to Ross Bay cemetery. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. J. Smith, C. Gollie, A. Keil, G. Gossell, W. Thiemsen and J. Richards.

Public Library.—In March were lent out from the Free Library 2,194 books; to ladies 1,155, to gentlemen 1,039. The highest number lent in one day was 130; the average number was 84. Twenty-nine new members joined the library, 17 ladies and 12 gentlemen. There have been added to the library: "Our Old Town," by T. Miller; "Luna—A Tale of Hesperian Life," Count D'Ury; "Pogonuc People," Mrs. H. B. Stowe.

Seamen's Institute.—The manager of the Seamen's Institute acknowledged with thanks donations of reading matter received during the month of March from the following: Mrs. Geo. Gillespie, Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. Vincent, Mrs. J. J. Buss, Reed, Mr. G. W. Richards (str. Tees), Mr. W. A. Smith, Mr. W. H. Shaw, Mr. A. H. Jones, Mr. M. Cooper, Mr. Roderick Morrison, Mr. H. O. Dodgson, The Times and Colonist, daily papers, and some anonymous donors.

A Popular Candidate.—All through the Cowichan district one hears unvaryingly good reports of Mr. Dickie's chances of election as the new representative of that riding in the provincial legislature and certain it is that the very large number of voters on whose requisition he became a candidate will not only support him with their votes but work energetically and persistently to advance his election. To judge by all the ordinary signs, Mr. Dickie should be counted a sure winner.

New Names Along the Line.—It is no longer Oyster Bay that one hears along the line as the name of the new and busy coal shipping port midway between Chemainus and Nanaimo, Ladysmith being the call and Ladysmith being apparently the title under which the place will become known to posterity, although the post office department still knows it as Oyster Bay. Gillesville has also passed to obscurity, the little station by the lake has now been named after the railway authorities "Shawnigan Lake," which the old stopping place is somewhat unfamiliarly hailed as Koenig's.

Rev. Speer's Lecture.—To-night in Temperance hall the Rev. J. C. Speer will lecture on "Creepers, Crawlers and Climbers," one of the most entertaining, interesting and humorous of his extensive repertoire. The lecture is a series of character sketches each one humorous and funny than the preceding one. This lecture has been given no less than thirty-five times in Ontario, five times in Toronto before ten thousand people, and was always fresh and interesting. Not many more opportunities of hearing Mr. Speer on the lecture platform will be afforded Victorians, and in consequence special attention given to private dinner and theatre parties. One block from theatre. Phone 680.

Transvaal War Pictures.—Victorians will shortly have an opportunity of witnessing pictures of scenes connected with the South African war. Mr. Houston of Toronto, well known in connection with the biograph pictures of the Transvaal war, which are being shown throughout Canada in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, arrived in Vancouver on Friday to arrange for his famous views to be shown in that city and at other provincial points. The exhibition is under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor-General and the pictures are perfect moving reproductions of scenes during the departure of the Canadian contingents, war incidents, etc.

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COAL SHIPMENTS.

Exports From Vancouver Island Colonies During March—Chemainus Lumber.

Following are the foreign coal shipments for the month ending 31st March, 1900:
NEW VANCOUVER CO.

Date.	Tons.
1—Str. New England, Alaska	52
5—S.S. San Mateo, Port Angeles	4,321
6—S.S. Robert Adamson, San Pedro	4,431
8—S.S. Mincola, San Pedro	3,106
10—S.S. Mananase, Mahukona, H. I.	1,146
11—Str. New England, Alaska	62
14—S.S. Titania, Port Angeles	5,781
11—S.S. New England, Alaska	54
20—S.S. Robert Adamson, Frisco	4,500
22—S.S. Mincola, Los Angeles	3,211
23—S.S. San Mateo, Port Los Angeles	4,314
22—S.S. P. P. Elmore, Skagway	110
22—S.S. Jennette, Alaska	19
20—Str. New England, Alaska	54
30—S.S. Titania, San Pedro	5,872
Total	37,423

LADYSMITH (Extension).

Date.	Tons.
2—S.S. Wellington	2,250
2—S.S. Ellhu Thompson, Frisco	1,075
2—S.S. Tellus, San Francisco	3,390
2—Sch. Oriental, San Francisco	2,330
2—S.S. Al-Kl, Port Townsend	691
2—S.S. South Portland, Oakland	1,040
8—Bristol, San Francisco	2,087
8—S.S. Farallon, Port Townsend	100
8—S.S. Beumohr, San Francisco	4,000
8—S.S. City of Topeka, Mary Island	300
13—S.S. Drilgo, Port Townsend	275
15—Cottage City, Pt. Townsend	100
15—S.S. Al-Kl, Seattle	100
15—S.S. Indian, San Francisco	2,150
15—S.S. South Portland, Frisco	1,040
22—Sch. Santa Clara, San Francisco	2,133
22—S.S. Tellus, San Francisco	2,300
Total	25,357

UNION SHIPPING.

Date.	Tons.
5—S.S. Pilot, Victoria	64
5—Sp. Louis Walsh, San Francisco	1,460
10—S.S. Danube, Skagway	150
10—S.S. Wellington, San Francisco	2,250
17—S.S. Amir, Skagway	193
17—S.S. St. Paul, Unalaska	2,123
24—S.S. Danube, Skagway	210
24—S.S. Hero, Dutch Harbor	6,000
Total	12,483

Auction of Modern Furniture.—The large salerooms of the Cuthbert-Brown Company, Ltd., are filled with furnishings of every description, received from several private residences and which will be sold at auction this afternoon at 2 o'clock. It is not often that such an assemblage is got together for one sale. In addition to the furnishings, an excellent dog cart and fine buggy will be sold.

Fined for Rowdiness.—George Ridge, a denizen of Clatham street, and Ernest Johnson, appeared in the provincial police court yesterday. George charged with being drunk and disorderly and Johnson with furious driving. They were arrested by Constable Campbell at Esquimalt on Saturday evening. They were both convicted and the first named was fined \$25 and her companion \$15 and \$1.70 costs.

Donations Acknowledged.—Manager Hobbs of the Home for the Age and Infirm acknowledges with thanks the following donations received at the home during March: Reading matter from Dr. Lewis Hall, U.S. Consul Smith, Mrs. Goddard, Mrs. L. J. Quagliotti, Mr. T. Sholtz, Mrs. H. D. Helmecken, Mr. N. Shakespeare, Mr. Geo. Winter, Mr. C. E. Jones, Mr. Geo. Marsden, Mr. Glide, the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. Clothing, per Mr. W. P. Winsby and per steamer City of Nanaimo.
Now ready 50,000 Native Sons Cigars c. car Havana filled \$70.00 per m.

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Ladies' Homespun Costumes from \$9
Ladies' Venetian Cloth Costumes from \$15
Ladies' Fancy Cloth Costumes from \$15
Ladies' Fine Cloth Costumes from \$15.00
Ladies' Serge Cloth Costumes from \$17.50
Ladies' Plain Cloth Costumes from \$12.00

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And Following Days.
The latest styles from Paris and New York in Hats, Bonnets and Millinery Novelties will be shown, also the usual fine Assortment of the latest Blouses and Children's White Wear.

MRS. VIGOR. Columbia House, 81 DOUGLAS STREET.

TWO WEEKS

Only two weeks till Easter, when all the ladies will be wanting their new bonnets.

In calling your attention to this fact we would advise you to call as early as possible and make your selection, or leave your order, as we will be able to give you better attention this week than next.

Our trimmers had to work overtime to keep up with the work last week, and as we near Easter we are always much busier.

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SIMILKAMEEN VALLEY.

Another Rich Section of the Country Being Rapidly Opened Up.

Parties who have just returned from the Similkameen country speak in glowing terms of its future prospects, and predict for it a phenomenal advance in the near future. Copper mountains, through the enterprise and energy of Mr. Brown, is attracting a great deal of attention; almost daily visitors take a trip to the Sunset mine, which under the admirable management of Mr. Brown is developing into one of the most valuable properties east of the Cascades. Other mines are opening up well, notably the Lost Horse. Men are doing assessment work on a large number of properties on Copper mountain, Kennedy mountain, Friday creek and on the main Similkameen river.

Princeton is about starting a newspaper, called the Similkameen Star. There are two very good hotels there, one kept by Mr. Wallace and the other by Mr. Jackson, and a third is talked of, and commencement made on the foundation, but it is uncertain whether it will be gone on with, as a new townsite some two and a half miles east of Princeton, called Allison, has been started and is expected to be placed in the market in a few weeks.

It is situated on a fine property just west of the canyon, and was originally crown granted to Capt. Luard, an officer of the Royal Engineers who came to British Columbia in 1858 with Col. Moody.

The C. P. R. location line crosses this property and turns immediately north up One-Mile creek to Nicola Lake and Spence's Bridge, where it joins the main line of the C. P. R.

The townsites proprietors (an English company) are building a bridge over the Similkameen river at the townsite, to connect with the Copper Mountain wagon road. This will enable parties wishing to visit the mines to do so by an easy drive of an hour and a half from the new townsite, when a little more work has been done on the road.

The wagon road up the valley from Keremeos and by Twenty-mile creek, is badly needed to accommodate the increasing travel from the East.

Mr. Snodgrass, who runs a line of stages in the Boundary country, has just made a trip up the valley to see in what way he can accommodate the public with transport, and finds all he can at present do is to put on a pack train and saddle horses. He intends doing this at once.

Notice to Contractors.

Tenders will be received on or before Thursday, April 5th, for the erection and completion of a brick building on Cormorant street for Wai Yuen & Co. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the undersigned.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. THOMAS HOOPER, Architect. Room 23, Five Sisters' Block.

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New Wellington Lump and Sack Coal, per ton \$5.50

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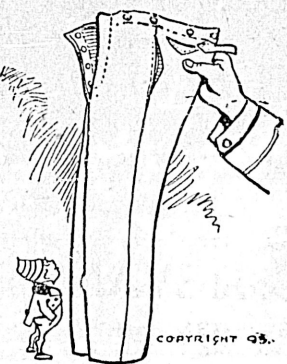
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REMOVING TO YATES STREET APRIL 15.

Suits, Overcoats and Mackintoshes



50 Cases New Spring Goods to be Slaughtered for Cash Before Moving.



Half Price for Cash...

\$ 5.00 SUITS FOR	\$2.50	\$ 6.00 OVERCOATS FOR	\$3.00	\$ 3.50 MACKINTOSHES FOR	\$1.75
6.00	3.00	7.50	3.75	5.00	2.50
7.00	3.50	10.00	5.00	6.50	3.25
8.50	4.25	12.00	6.00	7.00	3.50
10.00	5.00	13.00	6.50	9.00	4.50
15.00	7.50	15.00	8.00	12.00	6.00

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Brisk Business

At Council.

Mayor Hayward insists on Regular Discussion and With Good Effect.

Sanitary Officer Recommends the Destruction of a Large Number of Shacks.

A considerable quantity of routine business was transacted in an expeditious manner at yesterday evening's meeting of the city council, due no doubt to Mayor Hayward's persistence in insisting that discussion should be carried on in regular lines. At previous sessions the genial chief magistrate has had some difficulty in preventing the debates from going beyond the bounds of legitimate parliamentary discussion; and his efforts to maintain proper procedure last evening—which will probably prove efficacious—at one time resulted in a rather lively passage between His Worship and Ald. Beckwith. The latter had transgressed the rules somewhat, and at one point asked that the city engineer should be permitted to explain a matter on which he wished special information. Upon this the Mayor asked if the worthy alderman wanted the city engineer to make a speech to the board? Ald. Beckwith retorted in a rather heated fashion that he did not like such remarks from the Mayor. "A little bit," he said, "this is the way the Mayor speaks to the city engineer in the habit of repeatedly breaking the rules of order. The matter went no further. The most important item of business dealt with was a communication from the sanitary officer recommending the condemnation and destruction of quite a number of small wooden buildings which are in an unsanitary condition. On motion of Ald. Brydon, the owners of the shacks mentioned will be invited to meet the Council on Friday afternoon next and show cause why the buildings shall not be destroyed.

There were present His Worship, Mayor Hayward, in the chair, and a full board.

The first communication was one from P. Elworthy, secretary of the Royal Jubilee Hospital, directing attention to the condition of the grounds owing to the insufficiency of drainage. Referred to city engineer for report.

G. A. Dodd, adjutant of the Salvation Army, complained of the wood-yard being taxed for license.

Ald. Cameron moved that it be referred to the finance committee for report. Carried.

R. Dinsdale informed the board that he had decided to withdraw his tender for the pumping station at North Dairy Farm.

Ald. Hall wanted to know if the contract would be awarded to the next lowest tender.

The letter was received and filed.

The city engineer recommended that the drain at the dump at Rock Bay be extended across the street. This clause of the report was adopted, the balance of the report going over till the next meeting.

James Wilson, the sanitary inspector, submitted the following report:

Gentlemen: I would respectfully report as follows on several wood cabins that in my opinion fully come under the provisions of clause 60 of the Municipal Clauses Act and should be removed:

First, six one-story cabins situate on lot 605 block M, with all other wooden structures on same lot fronting on Fisgard street; also one frame building known as Nos. 76 and 78, situate on lot 606, block M, with two other buildings in the rear, and all other wooden structures on same lot.

The above named lots are assessed in the name of A. Gulloteau, and J. Colquhoun is agent.

Second, all the one-story cabins situate on lot 446, block G, and known as Nos. 21, 23, 25 and 27, fronting on Fisgard street, together with all other wooden structures on said lot. The latter lot is assessed in name of D. McTavish, and Mr. T. R. Smith is agent.

The whole of the above properties are a nuisance and dangerous to the public health.

Your obedient servant,
JAMES WILSON,
Sanitary Inspector.

Ald. Brydon moved that the owners of the buildings mentioned be notified to meet the council on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock to show cause why the buildings should not be condemned and destroyed.

Ald. Beckwith wanted to know if this course was the usual one. The sanitary officer states that the premises were a nuisance and he did not think anyone so offending should have any latitude shown them. For his part he wanted to see

the city brace up and deal vigorously with these matters.

Ald. Cameron—Is this a proposition to start out on a new plan? The city council spends a good deal of money in advertising these matters and if a cheaper plan can be suggested I will be in favor of it.

Ald. Kinsman mentioned that what was proposed in the motion was done in previous years.

The motion carried.

Samuel Brakes characterized a letter read at a previous meeting of the council board signed "Sam'l Brakes" as a forgery. He had good reason to know who it was and asked that he be brought to justice—he would furnish proofs.

Ald. Brydon moved that the letter be received and filed. Mr. Brakes to be notified that he must seek justice in the proper channels—the courts. Mr. Brakes will be assisted by the council in every way in bringing the party to justice.

The motion carried.

The electric light inspector submitted a list of the buildings inspected by him during March. Received and filed.

E. C. Johnson, the market superintendent, submitted a report showing market quotations—\$127.25 for the month. Received and filed.

George Noot applied for the position of pumping station inspector. Laid upon the table.

Residents of Stanley avenue asked for better sewerage facilities. Received and laid upon table until Wednesday next.

Tenders for water pipes to be used on Moss street were then opened. One tender marked "alternate tender" was received at 8 p.m., three hours after the time set.

Ald. Stewart moved that it be not opened. It was time to take a stand on this question of receiving tenders after hours. Carried.

The other tenders were opened as follows: C. M. Conson, 60¢ per foot; Marine Iron Works, 67¢ and 70¢, the latter being heavier, per foot; Jas. Robertson Company, Limited, Vancouver, \$61.75 per 100 feet and another at \$55.10; A. L. Garthwaite, Vancouver, 48¢ per foot; L. H. Victoria, Albion Iron Works, 88¢ per foot; J. H. Warner & Co., \$51.50 per ton, approximately 20 lbs. per foot; Canadian pipe; \$51.50 for American pipe; \$63.40 for lap-welded; Begg, Burns & Co., Vancouver, Canadian pipe, 50¢ per foot; lap-welded, American, 55¢; converse lap-joint pipe, 51¢ per foot.

Ald. Stewart moved that they be referred to the city engineer, water commissioner and purchasing agent for report. Carried.

The finance committee recommended the awarding of contracts for cement and granite curbing to the lowest tenderers—R. P. Rithet & Co., and Thomas Bradburn.

The city engineer explained in answer to a query from Ald. Cooley that Bradburn's tender was really lower than that of Mr. Fleming, though the latter's figures were apparently lower. Figuring that the city would require 2,600 feet, he estimated that Mr. Bradburn's tender was lower.

Ald. Cooley did not like this way of doing business; it did not look to him like a fair deal.

Ald. Kinsman thought the best plan would be to throw them all out and start over again. Apparently the lowest tender was not accepted for curbing. He did not like to interfere with the committee and the engineer, but he did not like this way of doing business.

Ald. Beckwith did not like the insinuation that the business was not straight. But he had contended that it was a mis

take to have those tenders opened in open council. As a result the council was

portuned by the different tenders to award the contract to such and such a one. This was not a satisfactory situation. But to put the matter briefly: Mr. Fleming was completely shut out by an inspection of the specifications.

Ald. Brydon could not agree with the finding of the committee. There was no question for the committee to inquire where Mr. Fleming was to get his stone. He thought the mistake, however, arose from the committee not having proper knowledge of the matter. As he figured it out Mr. Fleming's tender was the lowest.

Ald. Yates wanted the motion read on which these tenders were referred to the committee. This was done. The prices of the tenders were: Fleming, 70¢ and \$1.25; and Mr. Bradburn, 70¢ and \$1.25.

Ald. Yates thought that Mr. Fleming's tender was unsuitable, as quarried stone was asked for and he proposed to use boulder stone.

Ald. Cameron suggested that it lay on the table until Ald. Beckwith's motion re permanent sidewalks was dealt with. The Mayor—A fair way to settle the matter would be to see what was required, divide up the quantity required between the two parties.

Ald. Kinsman gave some information re boulder rock and quarried rock. His experience was that one was as good as the other.

Ald. Stewart moved that the report be laid on the table until tomorrow's meeting, when it will be dealt with. Carried.

The fire wardens reported recommending that plans be prepared for a brick building as a fire hall in Victoria West, to cost not more than \$2,500. Adopted.

The special committee dealing with the tenders for the pumping machinery recommended that the time for receiving tenders be extended to April 9. Adopted.

The finance committee recommended the paying of monthly accounts, amounting to \$5,862.91. Adopted.

Ald. Beckwith's motion, already published, that Yates and Broad streets be laid with permanent sidewalks, next came up. The mover explained that his object in specifying what certain portions of the streets be laid was so as not to have torn up certain new plank sidewalks which have recently been laid. The cost to the city would be \$1,200.

The Mayor read a list of the permanent sidewalks which the council of last year and the present year had decided upon. These matters should be decided.

Ald. Beckwith hoped the Mayor did not suggest that the uncompleted work of last year should have the preference.

The Mayor—Certainly not; unless the council so decides.

Ald. Yates moved that the matter be laid over until tomorrow evening's meeting.

Ald. Cameron thought that one of the pieces of permanent sidewalks to be laid as soon as possible was that in front of the property opposite the post office.

Ald. Beckwith wanted the motion carried now.

Ald. Stewart thought more should have been included in the motion—the paving of Yates and Broad streets. Still he approved of the work suggested in the motion being done.

Ald. Beckwith wanted the city engineer's opinion.

The Mayor—Do you want the city engineer to make a speech on this matter? Ald. Beckwith—I simply asked for a plain statement. I don't appreciate such remarks from you a little bit.

The Mayor—It seems you want to run this council altogether. Ald. Beckwith, you have spoken a dozen times out of order; that is why I have to remark.

The motion was laid over.

The expenditure by-law was reconsidered and finally passed.

The council adjourned at 10 p.m., to meet again in special session tomorrow evening.

A FRIEND OF McGILL.

Sir William Macdonald Adds Two Hundred Thousand to His Benefactions.

Montreal, April 2.—(Special)—The faculties of applied science and art at McGill University were enriched on Saturday by a gift of \$200,000 from Sir William Macdonald, to whose generosity the first named faculty largely owes its existence. Sir William visited the University on Saturday and on Sunday afternoon and there wrote out a check for the above amount and handed it to Mr. Vaughan, secretary of the college.

COAL MINERS BENEFITED.

Pittsburg, March 31.—The establishment of an eight-hour working day by the coal miners brought about almost idleness in the Pittsburg district today. The thousands of celebrators held meetings at many places and were addressed by the executive officers, who explained the new scale and urged the men to carry it out to the letter until the year is ended. Nearly 30,000 men will be benefited by the new scale which goes into effect on Monday. It calls for an advance of about 20 per cent and the establishment of an eight-hour working day.

THE FEDERATION LEAGUE.

It Aimed to Make Compulsory Such Assistance as Now Freely Given by Colonies.

Quebec, April 2.—(Special).—The following are extracts from Sir Charles Tupper's speech here on Saturday night: "A great deal has been said with reference to the Federation of the Empire."

"I was a member of the Imperial Federation League, and when I found that a number of the active spirits in that league were young men without a great deal of experience, whose great aim it was to compel the colonies and outlying portions of the Empire to make direct contributions to the army and navy of Great Britain, I opposed that policy on the ground that in my judgment it would break up the Empire. I showed what had been spent upon our militia system, and I said that under these circumstances the imposition of an imperial tax upon Canada for the army and navy of Great Britain would be a great mistake. I said: 'What we have done in the past is a guarantee of what we will do in the future.' (Cheers.) You must leave it to the independent judgment of the people of Canada and to the spirit of the people of Canada, to come to your aid whenever and however they think it is necessary. They say that I broke up the league by taking that position. If so, I am proud of it."

PORTO RICAN MISERY.

Workmen's Delegate Tells of Terrible Conditions in New American Possession.

New York, April 2.—Delegate James P. Archibald read a letter at the meeting of the Central Federated Union yesterday which he had received from Federico Iglesias, the Porto Rican workmen's delegate, who had visited the United States recently. Signor Iglesias said that it made his heart bleed in contrasting the conditions of workingmen in this country and in the island.

"The condition of the toilers there is very wretched, and in one town in the interior of the island he said he found as many as 150 women and children who were half clad and were starving."

COLOR LINE IN SCHOOLS.

Alton Blacks Suing the City for Separating Their Children From Whites.

Alton, Ills., March 31.—The jury in the case of Scott Bibb vs. the Mayor and City Council of Alton, known as the "colored school case," brought in a verdict today for the city. The case is a celebrated one and involves the separation of schools for white and colored children.

Bibb, who represented the colored people of Alton, charged that the colored children were excluded from the public school, which is the time the case has been in the circuit court. An appeal will be taken to the supreme court.

AGAINST INTERVENTION.

Overtures to European Powers Met With But the One Response.

Berlin, April 2.—Contrary to statements published in England, neither the German nor any other Continental cabinet has been asked by Count Muraviev, the Russian foreign minister, to present joint intervention notes, although it is correct that Germany has been sounding Austro-Hungary and Italy, her partners in the Triple Alliance, with reference to the intervention question. The reply in each instance has been unfavorable.

NOTABLE PASSENGERS.

London, April 2.—The White Star line steamer Oceanic, which is to sail from this port Wednesday for New York, will have among her passengers the Earl of Warwick, Lord Herbert Vane Tempest, brother of the Marquis of Londonderry, and the Siamese minister to Great Britain, Rhyia Prasidhi.

GARIBALDI'S GRANDDAUGHTER.

New York, April 2.—Among the passengers coming on the Italian line steamer Manila, due here tomorrow from Mediterranean ports, is Miss Italia Garibaldi, granddaughter of the famous Gen. Giuseppe Garibaldi.

A hearty appetite does not always indicate a healthy condition. It is not the quantity of food which is eaten but the quality of the food which determines the actual value of the food consumed. If the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition cannot convert the food into nourishment, and into blood, then the food is an injury instead of a benefit. For all disorders of the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition, there is a certain remedy in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It removes obstructions, it strengthens the stomach, nourishes the nerves, enriches the blood and builds up the body. It is a flesh-forming, muscle-making preparation, and is called "Golden Medical Discovery" because it contains no alcohol, whiskey or intoxicant of any kind, and is made free from opium, cocaine and all narcotics.

PERSONAL.

J. T. Bethune returned on Sunday from Ottawa.

Joseph McKay, of Carleton Place, is at the Driford.

Mrs. Relsky returned on Sunday evening from a visit to Vancouver.

Lieut. Governor McInnes was a passenger from Vancouver on Sunday evening.

A. G. Johnston and C. T. Crawford, of Nanaimo, are at the Hotel Victoria.

M. Hepburn, of Dawson, and Noel Dupuis, of Skagway, are at the Dominion.

E. H. Beeson, of Winnipeg, Inspector of the Hudson's Bay Co., is at the Driford.

Fred. Schofield, United States vice-consul at Vancouver, spent yesterday in the city.

J. K. Smith, of Dawson, who arrived by the steamer Tees yesterday, is at the Victoria.

Capt. S. Phillips, R.N.R., of H.M.S. Warrenton, is spending a few days at the Hotel Driford.

Capt. Robertson, Vancouver pilot, who is here to meet the Empress of Japan, is at the Dallas.

Dr. S. F. Reynolds, of the Ashcroft Journal, spent yesterday as a guest at the Hotel Victoria.

A. Francis, of the Vancouver News-Advertiser, is spending a few days at the Hotel Imperial.

Stewart Houston and W. E. Austin, two prominent Toronto drummers, are at the Hotel Driford.

T. Dunn and J. Boyd, two of Vancouver's most prominent merchants, are quartered at the Driford.

James Schacter, C. P. R. passenger agent at Vancouver, and Mrs. Schacter are guests at the Dallas.

H. B. Christensen, the head and founder of the interesting colony at Bella Coola, is at the Dominion.

J. McIntyre, of Vancouver, who has recently returned from the Northland, is a guest at the Imperial.

Mrs. E. J. Palmer and Miss Palmer, of Chemainus, with Captain and Mrs. J. S. Gibson, are guests at the Driford.

Dr. Charles S. Higgins, who is to assist Dr. Watt, superintendent of quarantine, arrived from Ottawa last evening.

John Cochran is in the Terminal City today, conducting the semi-annual examination of the B. C. Pharmaceutical Association.

C. F. Todd, P. Wollaston, E. A. Morris, H. Bornstein and Thomas Hooper were among the Victorians returning from Vancouver on Sunday.

Thomas Gee, of Dawson, who is also a pioneer of the Selkirk district and a champion of local prospects, is a guest of the Dominion, on his way to Ottawa.

J. A. Fullerton and J. E. Pagan, of Vancouver, registered at the Driford yesterday. They are here to meet the R.M.S. Empress of Japan, due from the Orient today.

J. D. Buford, of Denver, Colo., who has been examining a number of promising British Columbia properties for Colorado capitalists, is at the Imperial.

T. E. Kenny, of Halifax, N.S., and E. L. Pearce, of Montreal, both of whom are members of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, are at the Driford.

Honore Carrier, Francois and Antoine Conteau have been spending the past few days at the Dominion while completing their equipment for mining in the heart of the North. They are from Three Rivers and have their eyes set to Nome.

BARRACKS FOR MILITIA.

Marine Hospital to Be Utilized—Colonel McKay Here.

Lieut. Col. Joseph McKay, who is to be captain of the B.C. Company of Militia raised as a part of the provincial battalion for Halifax, but who have been posted to garrison duty at Esquimalt, arrived last evening from Brockville, Ont.

According to information received yesterday by Major Benson, D.O.C., from Ottawa, an arrangement has been made between the militia and marine departments, whereby the marine hospital on the Indian reserve will be utilized as a barracks for the B.C. company, and the men will be mobilized forthwith.

The hospital building is in every way suitable for the purpose to which it will be put, and will be ready for almost immediate occupation. The equipment is expected daily from Ottawa.

Under the new arrangement the militia department becomes responsible for all cases which would usually be treated at the marine hospital. There will be sent to the Jubilee hospital and the expense of treating them will be borne by the militia department.

One advantage of choosing the old marine hospital as quarters for the men is that it is handy to Esquimalt. This would not be the case had the Agricultural hall been selected.

SUICIDE AT GREENWOOD.

Clerk Ends a Spree by Putting a Bullet Through His Head.

Greenwood, B. C., March 31.—Hans Hartel, a clerk, committed suicide this evening by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. He had been drinking heavily. He leaves a wife and child.

UNWARRANTED CHARGE.

Montreal, April 2.—Denny Dineen, arrested on the charge of being implicated in the murder of Martin Pendergast, was acquitted by the coroner's jury today. The only evidence against him was Pendergast's statement that he had been kicked in the head by Dineen. The medical testimony did not bear out this statement, however.

TRAP SHOOTING.

New York, April 2.—The interstate trap shooting at Interstate Park opened today. The Grand American Handicap, which is the principal event of the tournament, will not begin until Wednesday morning. Two hundred and ten entries have so far been received and it is expected that this number will be increased by a score or more.

A WARNING FROM NEW YORK.

To the Editor.

Sir: The following extract from an editorial in a late issue of the New York Witness should be of interest at the present juncture. Editor Douglass, a son of the founder of the Montreal Witness, has the reputation of being a singularly clear-headed man. Commenting on the well known bossridden condition of New York City and State, he goes on to say:

"The true key to the problem that confronts reformers seems to us to be contained in the demand for a complete separation between local and national politics. There is no connection between the issues involved in national government and those involved in local government. What is needed in local government is an honest and efficient administration of affairs, and it would not matter the slightest difference to what national party or parties the local reformers belonged if they were only men of high character—who could be relied upon to administer local affairs on business principles strictly, making appointments to office without regard to the attitude of candidates on national politics. Such men could be found if the people wanted them and would support them, and the freeing thus of local government from the domination of the bosses would take away from them the club with which they beat down and crush out all opposition to their will in national politics."

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"The Fads Of Faith"

Third of Rev. J. C. Speer's Series in the Metropolitan Church.

A Plea on Behalf of the Children Who Are Allowed to Suffer.

Rev. J. C. Speer, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist church, on Sunday evening delivered the third of his series of sermons on "The Fads of Faith," his subject being, "The Physicians and the Faith Healers." He took for his text, II. Kings, xx, 7: "And Isaiah said take a lump of figs and they took and laid it on the boil, and he recovered."

"We have here a case of sickness in which the sentence of death was pronounced upon the patient, but there were those there who, after appealing the case to the Almighty in prayer and faith, thought it only right that he should have the help of the remedies which had been found effective in the long experience of the people, so they suggested the lump of figs; or if they made a good poultice and laid it on the boil, or tumor, as it was, and the life of the king was spared, and he lived for full fifteen years. This incident in the life of the king has given the faith healers a deal of trouble, but it is plain to be seen that they cannot get round the fact that the prophet Isaiah was not of their way of thinking, for he did recognize the power of means as well as faith in the cure of the sick. These people are fertile in dodging the truths which are against their theories, and in explaining this text they will assure you that it was the Lord who healed the sick king; just as if there is to be found a precedent in a medical physician who thinks that anyone is healed by any other power than the God who created all the means, and made the laws and forces, which play their part in the healing process.

"It is an outrage for these people to leave the impression that the orthodox church no longer believes in the power of God to heal the sick, for there is not a minister of the gospel anywhere who does not pray for the sick under his care, and there is not one who has had any extensive experience in pastoral work, who has not seen the sick raised up after such prayer, and to all appearance by the direct intervention of God; but, on the other hand, everyone who has prayed for the recovery of the sick has seen them sink and die, and many of them were the most saintly on the earth. The difficulty is not whether God can, or does, heal, but does He teach us to discard the use of medicines and trust alone to His intervention in a miraculous way? This we declare to be a position which has no warrant in the Word of God. "The importance of the question is seen when we look at the mortality which we have at hand in this age of close investigation. According to the report of the medical health officer of this city, for last year, we had about one per cent. of the population die, which would be about 250 people, or 200 if we subtract fifty for those who died from accident from old age. With a population of 25,000, these figures will give one death for every hundred persons. When we think of the suffering of these 200, and the loss sustained by the community, and when we think of the loss sustained by the friends who were directly or indirectly dependent upon the deceased, and the anguish that came to them at the death of loved ones, we get an idea of the importance of the question which has to do with the problem of reducing, as far as possible, the sickness and death of the race.

"The question has been dealt with from three different standpoints, and in two of the three grave errors have been made. In the first place the old physician has considered disease purely from the physical side. With him it was a phenomenon of a materialistic character, and this was true, though he might not have been an atheist. He looked at the symptoms of disease just as the veterinary surgeon looks at the disease of the lower animal. That there was another realm with which the physical was closely connected he knew very well, but that the physical was affected by the subjective forces in this other realm he did not take into serious consideration. He was content to consider the bones and muscles—the blood and flesh, but the effect of the active and moral powers enshrined in that body was outside of his sphere.

"In the second place, we have those who may be represented by the Christian Scientists and faith-healers, who take little or no thought of the physical in their diagnosis of sickness, but look solely to the moral and mental for the cause and cure of the disease, or supposed disease. To them the subjective is everything, the objective of little or no account.

"But we submit that both of these theories are too narrow to account for the phenomena which present themselves to the philosophic investigator of the present day. The physician is now in duty bound to take into his serious consideration the mighty influence of the mind and moral conditions upon the human in which they reside, and it is just as true that those who are ever studying the psychological nature of the human sufferer must deal with the body, which is the instrument of the one who exists within the flesh. We are sure that there are not a few physicians to-day who have recognized the facts referred to, and we hope that the time is not far distant when every doctor, who has his diploma, shall have passed a complete course in anthropology, covering the physical, mental and moral nature of man, and their power upon the human body to cause, at least, the symptoms of sickness.

"The question is ever being asked: 'How do you account for the cures which are wrought by the people who discard all medicine?' This is asked by these people with a peculiar snarl as if this question could not be fairly met and clearly answered; but the answer will be given so as to satisfy all who are not at present prejudiced. It is a significant fact that these faddists are to be found in all places, and few countries have not been afflicted with their erratic ideas. You may go to old England and

visit the cure-all hospital of Bethshan, where they will tell you of most miraculous cures wrought. Then take a trip across to Ireland and visit the Chapel of Knock Holy Wells, where, at certain seasons, you will behold thousands of people coming to be cured, and they do get cured as much as at any other place. It is reported that a young girl was cured of a terrible disease recently, by drinking water into which had dropped a lump of plaster from the chapel. Then you may take a pilgrimage to the sacred place of Lourdes, in France, and see thousands there getting cures of the most wonderful type. Or if you like it better, you can go to St. Ann's, in Quebec, where the Grand Trunk railroad makes a big thing by excursions every year. There you will see cords of crutches just as they are to be seen in the faith-healing institution of the Dowdites in Chicago; but if none of these will do you, go to the religious fakers of the United States, and you will find a cure, and now professes to have fasted forty days and nights. You can see the same things done by the hypnotist, Prof. McEwen or by the witch doctors of the interior of Africa. The faith healer who claims to do the same things but the disciples of our Lord did should be able to ease out these devils, and as he claims that the others cure disease by infernal forces, it is for him to go the whole length and cast out these demons as well as to do the lesser things. Now that these all cure what they say to be diseases, we are not anxious to deny, but that they are done by the special intervention of God is a claim that we cannot admit for a moment. We are told on good authority that about 75 per cent. of all who fall sick would recover were they left to themselves. That is, nature has been provided, by the Creator, with forces which fight off that which comes in to disease the system. For instance, blood is composed of water, with red and white corpuscles floating therein. These white corpuscles destroy the impurities which tend to poison the blood, and it is only when they lose their vital powers that this function ceases. This will illustrate to you by what is meant by the forces which fight off the enemies of the body.

"In the field of these self-determining diseases, the faith-curing fraternity reap a rich harvest. The crisis of the disease is a time of great anxiety for the patient and friends—the doctor cannot do more than he has done, and at that point the fakers of wonderful cures is suggested by some friend who is on hand, and the oil for anointing is applied, or some other performance is instituted, and the cure is said to be wrought, while the fact is nature was working her own cure with the assistance that science has give, or, it may be, without any aid. In this way these people are laying the flatteringunction to their souls that God has favored their prayers while he turned a deaf ear to the cries of those who were all the time in prayer for the recovery of the sick.

"The next realm which yields them a rich result is where the diseases are directly from the action of the mind upon the body. Mrs. Eddy was not the discoverer of this fact, but it has formed the basis of all investigation in the hypnotic region of subjective study, from the days of Mesmer to the present time. Every physician now knows that there are but few diseases to which we are heir, the symptoms of which may not be produced by the mind in its abnormal state. Take the mental disease known as hysteria, and it is well attested that it has shown the symptoms of rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, contraction of joints, and even tumors. The most skillful physician may be deceived and be led to diagnose the case as a genuine one when it proves to be no more than the effect of this mental state upon the body. In the case of an internal tumorous growth it has been found that the enlargement disappeared when the mind was released under chloroform. This is only a sample of what the doctor has to contend with, and when you gather such cases from this whole continent, is it any wonder that there are cords of crutches at St. Ann in Quebec and at Dr. Dowle's institution in Chicago? When the cause is from the mind, in an abnormal state, with concentration on some part of the body it is only necessary to divert the mind to work the cure, as the cause being absent the effect disappears.

"Now let the miracle-worker come along and either tell the sufferer that there is nothing the matter, or that by prayer you can be healed, and the cure is wrought, but the danger is that it may be a genuine case, and then the cure is not the result. There was a cure of this kind brought to my notice some years ago, when a young woman was in the habit of falling down in a fit—her body becoming rigid, her teeth locked and the foam flowing from her lips. This occurred while she was on a visit to some friends when her purposes were crossed; and the doctor who was called administered the usual restoratives, but the second time he was called he dashed a bucket of cold water over her with instructions to repeat the dose the next time the fit came on. The cure was as quick as any wrought by the faith-cure man, and it was effective for the future. A good formula for such cases is chloride of sodium and pure aqua, in other words, common table salt and water. I have seen a serious case of contraction of the muscles of the face cured by doses of strong bitter pills. How many people carry a potato in the pocket, or a buttered roll, or a few grains of corn, or some trinket to act as a charm? An enterprising firm in the East made a good sum in the manufacture and sale of brass tractors, which were to be worn on a string about the neck, and many a thankful people were them for fear of various diseases which were about, and not a few were cured of diseases they thought they had. This may be deception, but it is well known that if such people were told that they imagined their sickness the doctor would get his discharge.

"But from these we turn to diseases which are of a purely physical nature, and these are fearful to contemplate. It is in this realm of human suffering that the people who discard the use of medicines do their deadly work. Here they fail, and they are careful to conceal their failures, or to attribute them to the fault of anything or anybody but the real cause. Not one here before me but can recall some one who was treated by these fads and died in their hands. A lady in the town of Orangeville was being treated by Dr. Henry for congestion of the lungs, when at a critical point in came a faith healer, and in a short time the patient was persuaded to send the doctor away, and be immersed in cold water. The doctor warned the friends that it would cause her death, but what did they care for the warning of a doctor of medicine? The woman died in three days, and the parties were brought to trial on a charge of manslaughter, but as there was no statute for the case it had to be dismissed. One of my personal friends on my last charge fell in with the Christian Scientists and he allowed his little boy to die from diphtheria. Only a few days after he took it and also died, refusing to be treated by the doctors. While in Toronto a woman was before the court, tried for manslaughter on account of allowing her child to die under the delusion of the Christian Scientists. The same was the result in the case of one of the first young ladies of that city. She took typhoid fever, and her parents being of this cult, she was allowed to die, her betrothed pleading to be permitted to bring in a physician. One of my acquaintances suffering from hemorrhage of the lungs wrote me that she was cured by the faith healers; but sometime after, when calling at the house of her friend, I learned that she was dead. But the time would fail me to tell of all that has come under my notice of the utter failure of these people to accomplish what they claim.

"It may be granted that those who have come to their majority can do as they wish in choosing how they shall be treated for their sufferings, but in the case of suffering childhood we must enter our protest against these teachings, which turn the parent into an inhuman monster, who can allow her child to suffer and die without trying those remedies which have been proven to be effective in ten thousand cases. I was told of a mother who had imbibed these notions allowing her child to scream in agony all night long, and when a boarder in her house at midnight called her attention to it, she calmly told him that she was giving the child a treatment of silence at a distance. Think of the thousands of little ones who are under the tender mercies of such fanatics; and consider that if it is against the laws of the country, and their allegiance will not deter me in such work. Receive these people not, no matter how sincere they may be, but follow the advice of the apostle John, where he says: 'Receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed; for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.' To encourage these people because they are sincere is a policy which may bring to you trouble and condemnation."

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Mystery Of The Trail

Suspicion That O'Brien Killed His Partner to Conceal Their Villainy.

Interesting Budget of Northern News Brought by the Steamer Tees.

Detective McGuire, of Minneapolis, who is working on the Clayton-Relfe-Olsen disappearance mystery, believes that Thomas O'Brien, who is held at Selkirk on suspicion of murdering the three men on the Yukon trail, went even further than murder for robbery, and after killing the trio of Klondikers killed his partner, who assisted him in the triple assassination, to seal his lips. This man's name was Graves. He has not been seen since the men were reported missing last December, and it is not believed that he could get out of the country. The report published in the Skagway papers a couple of weeks ago with such positiveness as to the finding of the bodies was not founded on fact. A hole was found in the ice and some articles, leading to the belief that the bodies had been placed there, but a search failed to reveal them. There is now a theory that a fire was built over the bodies and the remains, burned to a crisp, buried in the ground which the fire thawed. Capt. Fussell, keeper of the Minto road-house, says that on the day the three men left his house he saw a big fire along the trail.

MACHINERY FOR ATLIN.

Big Hydraulic Plants Going in to the New Mining District.

"R. D. Featherstonehaugh, manager for Lord Hamilton in Atlin, who went South not long ago and made a report to his company, is now going back to further superintend the development of the Hamilton properties," says the Skagway Alaskan. "Ten tons of machinery are expected to arrive on the Topeka for the mines. Mr. Featherstonehaugh will have this machinery taken to Atlin right away. It will be taken in over the ice from Bennett. Included in the machinery are a five-stamp mill, a large hoist and pumping machinery. Mr. Featherstonehaugh says it has not been decided on which of the Atlin properties the stamp mill will be put up. He says the prospects of the Pine creek quartz and the Sailor Bill group are satisfactory, but as to what the assays and the other details in regard to the prospects are he declines to speak. E. C. Hawkins, of the White Pass road, and others say Mr. Featherstonehaugh will soon take in hydraulic machinery for use in working the Wright creek claims, and Dunan and Skinner, of Vancouver, will this month take in hydraulic machinery for use on Willow creek."

RAILWAY EXTENSION.

Work on the White Pass & Yukon Route Progressing Favorably.

John Hislop, assistant chief engineer for the White Pass & Yukon railroad, has returned from a visit of a week to the Cariboo-Closeleigh extension of the line. He reports work progressing well, and says that the contractor will begin laying the rails from Cariboo northward next week. Fifteen miles of track out of Cariboo will be put down first. Piling for the 600 feet of trestle at Lewis Lake has been driven. Practically all the grading beyond Cariboo will be finished by April 15. Only a few small pieces of work on that stretch will remain after that date to be cleared up. The snow has disappeared from the railroad cut-off, but teams are going over the ice by way of Tagish and making good time.

TO DEVELOP ATLIN.

How Capt. Irving's Enterprise Is Regarded in the North.

"Capt. John Irving, member of the British Columbia parliament, operator of steamers on the Bennett-Atlin route, and steamship and mining operator, arrived yesterday on the Tees on one of the most important excursions of enterprisers ever undertaken in this region for the development of Atlin," says the Skagway Alaskan. "He brought with him material for a fine stern-wheel steamer to ply on the Bennett-Atlin route in alternation with the creek steamer Gleaner. On the Danube, due next week, will come more material for the Atlin steamer and equipment for the railroad which the Captain is to build over Taku portage for the convenience of his steamers. The railroad will cost \$30,000."

"TIP" TO MERCHANTS.

Articles That Are in Demand in Dawson at Present.

The Skagway Alaskan publishes the following from Dawson: "The approaching end of the long winter season witnesses the usual shifting of prices in foodstuffs and certain other lines as the drain upon the big stocks find certain edibles short and others that have to be gotten rid of now or be lost or saved over for next winter. The meat market is especially in bad shape to the traders and in excellent shape for the consumer. With the trail strewn with dressed beef being hurried to market, and with hunters of hunters still in the mountains killing game that some of them have been caching and still have cached in Dawson, hoping for a rise, the prospects are that most people will be able to eat meat for the next month, if they never have before since coming to the country. Canned meats are none too plentiful, but of course the prices are not running up under the circumstances. There is almost no roast beef or sausage in the market, but still where there is it is for sale. Flour is still going up, for various reasons—some dealers say because there is a real shortage, and some because certain houses have a corner on the staple. Tomatoes are said to be scarce and are going up a few points. Butter is also on the rise. Cheese is said to be scarce. Horse feed is on the short list. Felt shoes, moosehairs, parkies and winter clothes generally are on the bargain counter."

THE McNAMEE CASE.

Valuable Klondike Mining Claims in Dispute Between Brothers.

The case of Thomas McNamee vs. James McNamee, which has been before

the Yukon courts since October, 1898, has been further postponed. This case, on account of the money it involves, makes it one of peculiar interest. Some of the best claims on Eldorado, Bonanza and Hunker are at stake. From the evidence adduced it seems that James McNamee was grub-staked by his brother Thomas in the summer of 1895. At that time they were both working at Juneau; a verbal partnership agreement was made, each to share alike in any property which they might acquire. James went to Forty-Mile, and when the Klondike was struck was among the fortunate ones, acquiring some very valuable properties. Thomas since then has been trying to obtain his share, but the case has never been brought to a satisfactory trial. Owing to the absence of the defendant on the outside, and his attorney, Mr. Wade, being unable to locate him, an adjournment was asked for until his arrival. After some opposition from the plaintiff's counsel, Messrs. McKay and Gwilliam, the judge decided in favor of a postponement until the river opened, also allowing fees for plaintiff's witnesses who have been detained in Dawson for some time awaiting the trial, and appointing a receiver to take charge of the clean-up.

NORTHERN WEATHER.

Approach of Spring Along the Yukon River—Latest Report.

The last weather report from the North shows that the weather has turned much milder. The report follows: 9 O'CLOCK A.M.

Dawson—Clear, 28 above. Selwyn—Clear, calm, 32 above. Selkirk—Clear, calm, 32 above. Stewart—Clear, calm, 32 above. Lower LaBarge—Cloudy, calm, 25 above. White Horse—Clear, calm, mild. Tagish—Clear, calm, mild. Caribou—Clear, calm, 22 above. Atlin—Cloudy, calm, 37 above. Bennett—Partly cloudy, calm, 30 above. 5 O'CLOCK P.M. Skagway—Partly cloudy, light south wind, 51 above. Glacier—Partly cloudy, calm, 42 above. White Pass—Partly cloudy, calm, 30 above. Fraser—Cloudy, calm, 22 above. Log Cabin—Partly cloudy, calm, 27 above. Bennett—Clear, calm, 35 above.

YUKON COAL.

Big Find Made in the Vicinity of Five Fingers Rapids.

"Capt. C. E. Miller has just returned from a trip to Five Fingers. He has located a coal vein six miles above that place on the Lewes river," says the Yukon Sun. "The vein is what is known as a blanket vein and is about 500 feet underground and is easily worked by means of tunnels. Mr. Miller has had an assay made of samples of coal and the result is highly satisfactory, assaying 50 per cent. fixed carbon, 35 per cent. volatile matter, 9 per cent. ash, 6 per cent. water. He has had two assays made, one from the surface outcrop, and one 25 feet in the tunnel, which shows an increase of 25 per cent. in that distance. The intention is to open up the mine for the use of river steamers as well as for the trade of Dawson. The coal seems to be of a hard nature retaining its shape in the furnace until consumed, leaving behind a red ash, and is entirely free from that dark heavy smoke so common to all soft coals. It is estimated that one ton of this coal is equal to two cords of wood."

SUMMER CLEAN-UPS.

Expensive Work of Winter Months to be Abandoned by Mine Owners.

In an interview in the Dawson Daily News, Mr. D. Soper, the owner of a number of claims, says that he will do no winter work in the winter hereafter, simply prospecting his property. Continuing he said: "Our intention is to prepare for heavy work in the summer. Summer work is so much less expensive, that I venture the prediction that this is the last year that we will witness the big spring clean-up. It has been demonstrated that ground can be worked here in summer with proper machinery much more cheaply than in winter. The summer work has many advantages. The miner need not work one day in doubt as to what he is doing. In winter one works in the dark, literally and figuratively. The panners here and there by which a man tries in the winter season to keep track of the pay and to test the value of his ground, is really no test at all. For instance, a man may find a \$6 pan, and by that standard he has very rich dirt. But one foot away from the spot where he got that pan he may be able to secure up no more than a few colors. Then suppose, in trying for a test of the value of the claim the man had not by accident struck this rich little pocket of \$6 pan. The claim would be condemned as valueless. The only way that ground here can be really tested is by washing a quantity of dirt in the sluice boxes, and that can only be done properly in summer. In summer the miner can carry his dirt directly out of the mine into the sluice boxes and dispose of it at once. He may clean up every day if he wishes to and knows just exactly the kind of ground he is going through. In this way he can save, too, full one-third the expense in the double handling and double thawing of the ground. I believe that after this winter there will be very little winter work done here."

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TACOMA DETECTIVE ARRESTED

He and His Nephew Charged With Refusing to Give Deed After Taking Money For It.

Tacoma, April 2.—J. B. Thompson, chief city detective, and A. J. Hosher, his nephew, were arrested last night by Sheriff Van De Vanter and two deputy sheriffs of Seattle, on a charge of embezzling \$20,000 from H. G. Torrence, a Klondiker. Hosher was Torrence's private secretary for two years, and was to have sold him two mining claims for \$8,000. According to Torrence, Hosher had this money and \$12,000 which he has held and under Thompson's instructions has refused to give a deed to the Dawson properties. He's an absent-minded beggar, and he's gone off to the front. And he's true to England to the core. But he's a 'scape of consolation. For the ones he's left at home. For they know 'is canteen's stocked with 'Jesse Moore.'"



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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, April 2.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

The ocean area of low pressure referred to on Saturday has since then developed and traversed this province, and is now central in Alberta. Its passage was accompanied by a thunderstorm, which was reported from Saanich, New Westminster and the neighborhood of Vancouver. In which last named district a dwelling house was burned by lightning on the Pitt river. The storm was also reported from Tacoma, in the adjoining state of Washington. Light rainfall has been general and the temperatures have been somewhat higher. A high area is central in the Northwest Territories and clear weather prevails.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	48	57
New Westminster	48	60
Kamloops	50	60
Barkerville	50	60
Calgary	26	66
Winnipeg	28	44
Portland, Ore.	48	54
San Francisco	52	58

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Tuesday:
Victoria and Vicinity—Light to moderate winds; partly fair, with occasional showers; not much change in temperature.
Lower Mainland—Light winds; partly cloudy, with occasional rain.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, April 1.

Deg.	Mean.	Deg.
5 a.m.	55	Mean.
Noon	58	Highest.
5 p.m.	64	Lowest.

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m. 9 miles north.
Noon 4 miles north.
5 p.m. 24 miles west.
Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—3 hours 30 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....29.726
Corrected.....29.726

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected.....29.70

MONDAY, April 2.

Deg.	Mean.	Deg.
5 a.m.	48	Mean.
Noon	52	Highest.
5 p.m.	53	Lowest.

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m. 5 miles northeast.
Noon 6 miles east.
5 p.m. 4 miles east.
Average state of weather—Cloudy, with showers.
Rain—.09 inch.
Sunshine—1 hour 45 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....29.752
Corrected.....29.752

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected.....29.80

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Bidding For Hall Mines

Canadians Negotiating for Purchase of Famed Property At Nelson.

Committee Named to Promote Pending Scheme for Reconstruction.

The Hall Mines, Limited, owners of the Hall mines and smelter at Nelson, is being reconstructed and there is a probability of the properties being acquired by Canadian capitalists. The first steps were taken at a general meeting of the shareholders held in London on March 16. Here is a report of the meeting from the Financial News:

"A special general meeting of the Hall Mines, Limited, was held yesterday at Winchester House, Old Broad street, E.C. Sir Joseph Trutch presided and called the meeting had been sent to the shareholders, a proposal had been laid before the board from responsible gentlemen in Canada offering to assist in the reconstruction of the company on terms which the directors considered of a very favorable character. "Mr. Frederick Walker (chairman of the shareholders' committee) then moved: 'That the present board be asked to retire and to co-opt the following gentlemen in their place: Messrs. S. Boulnois, Charles Harvey, D. H. Gibb and Robert Ward.' He explained that the committee were influenced by one motive, which was to do the best they could for the shareholders, and they had been met by the utmost frankness and courtesy by the directors. The committee was appointed to confer with the board, and if thought advisable to prepare a scheme of reconstruction to place before the shareholders. The new board it was proposed to appoint were not to be regarded as permanent directors, but they had come forward to promote a reconstruction scheme. The committee were greatly encouraged in their task when the directors communicated to them that they had received a proposal from certain Canadian gentlemen who were coming over here to ascertain on what terms they could acquire the company's assets. Such a proposal he regarded as very encouraging. The committee did not think the best had been made of the property, and they believed that under new management and better auspices there would be a future for the shareholders of the company. "Mr. John Patten seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Votes of thanks were then given to the committee and directors, and the proceedings terminated."

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Miss Dyer.	L. Underwood.
A. D. Winner.	W. Romano.
Mrs. Winner.	Mrs. Curtiss.
M. McConough.	R. Wilson.
L. B. Tanner.	Geo. C. Denton.
C. R. Tanner.	Miss Howard.
C. R. Lawson.	G. M. Groves.
Capt. Martini.	Joe Nelson.
Capt. Bailey.	Mrs. Nelson.
E. Leason.	Misses Nelson.
Miss Dunnaway.	F. L. Hune.
F. M. York.	Mrs. Hune.
T. C. Hitchcock.	Miss Haas.
C. K. Garcey.	Robt. Bense.
L. McMullen.	Chester Rice.
Miss Walton.	Wm. Dugan.
L. C. Ingerham.	J. W. Ward.
C. K. Garcey.	G. E. Pearce.
T. E. Keeney.	T. Williams.
R. B. Atkinson.	May Robbels.

Sy steamer Islander from Vancouver (Sunday):

F. Elworthy.	L. Marks.
Mrs. Rickaby.	John Boyd.
P. Wollaston.	Miss Haynes.
F. Switzer.	Wm. Warden.
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T. Vynn.	J. W. Ward.
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Lt.-Gov. McInnes.	Mrs. Selaters.
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H. Bornstein.	Capt. Robertson.
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